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THE DIDSBURY

# REVIEW

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## Minority mandate

by Todd W. Hurman, Jon  
Koch and Dan Singleton

Finally the West is in. After more than a decade of Liberal rule and perceived western alienation, Stephen Harper and his Conservatives proved the polls right and claimed a minority victory over Paul Martin and his Liberals on Jan. 23.

The race to take over the House of Commons was tight but in the end the Conservatives took 124 seats with the Liberals close behind at 103. The Bloc Quebecois had 51 and the NDP claimed 29. One independent, Andre Arthur of Quebec, was elected in the riding of Port Neuf-Jacques-Cartier.

Wild Rose Myron Thompson said his fifth straight win on Monday night and his Conservative Party minority election victory bodes well for the residents of west central Alberta.

Speaking at the Telus Convention Centre in Calgary following his election win, Thompson said that crime fighting will be a key issue for him.

"It's about time, 13 years is a long time to wait. I think you are going to see some important changes now. It's time to get solid on crime. All the people in my riding said get rid of child pornography so let's do it," said Thompson, who walked away with another easy victory unofficially taking 72.9 per cent of the vote.

Sean Maw, of the Green Party, finished a surprising second in Wild Rose taking 11 per cent of the vote.

Rounding out Wild Rose was Liberal candidate Judy Stewart with 8.7 per cent and the NDP's Shannon Nelles with 7.5 per cent.

Thompson said he plans to do more for ranchers and farmers in the riding as well.

"We have a major industry called agriculture that is suffering terribly. It's a big employer and we need to be doing more," said Thompson, adding that he will accept any cabinet post if he is offered one.

He commended Harper for his win and is confident in the



photo by Aaron Whitfield

Wild Rose MP Myron Thompson gives the camera a proud thumbs up after claiming a fifth straight election victory on Monday night. Thompson joins 123 fellow MPs back in Ottawa as the Tories reclaimed power after a 13-year absence.

46-year-old's abilities.

"We have the right guy in the prime minister's chair. I think Canada is going to be quite proud of him," Thompson said.

After conceding defeat to Harper, Paul Martin told supporters in his riding of LaSalle-Emard Monday night that he will be resigning as the leader of the Liberal Party, as had been rumoured in the media during the last legs of the campaign.

"I will continue to represent LaSalle-Emard, but I will not be leading the party in the next election," Martin said, to the deflated cries of the crowd.

After leading an almost flawless campaign over the last two months, Harper convinced enough Canadians that it was time to dispose of the corrupt Liberals whose AdScam scandal was only inflated by the Option Canada scandal and the RCMP inquiry into Ralph Goodale and his Finance Department over questions surrounding leaked information regarding income trust funds.

The Conservative Party

made gains across the country, picking up a number of seats nationwide, including in Ontario and Quebec where disaffected Liberal and Bloc Quebecois supporters looked to Harper for a more accountable government although many voters in the Toronto area stuck with Liberals arguably preventing the Tories from forming a majority government.

While much of Ontario, Montreal and Atlantic Canada stuck with the Liberals, Alberta was awash in a sea of blue after Monday's vote. Thompson joined 28 other Tory candidates in winning their ridings, with the biggest news coming from Edmonton with the defeat of Liberal Deputy Prime Minister Anne McLellan.

"Landslide Annie" lost handily to Tory candidate Laurie Hawn in the wake of allegations of voter irregularities in her constituency of Edmonton-Centre.

The turn to the left also was apparent this year as the NDP

picked up 10 more seats than they did in 2004.

The Conservatives now face a more evenly divided House of Commons with the Liberals and NDP holding more seats combined, leaving the Tories to deal with Bloc, who are not known to support socially conservative motions or federalism.

Thompson said, however, he is prepared to "work with anybody" in a minority government.

"Either they are going to be truly representative of the people or they aren't. Let's get some things resolved. I hope we stay in power long enough to get some things done," Thompson said, adding that he will run again for Parliament if the government falls before the end of 2006.

In the ridings of Red Deer and Crowfoot respectively, incumbent MPs Bob Mills and Kevin Sorenson handily won their races.

All election results are unofficial at the time the Albertan went to press.

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## NEWS

# Didsbury's new cat bylaw

by Tamara Collins

It shouldn't be long now before Didsbury's stray cat population will decrease, and you will find less critters digging in your garden after Town Council passed both the second and final reading of the Cat Bylaw, Tuesday evening.



Mayor Dorothy Moore

If you are a cat owner, you must ensure your cat does not run at large or damage anyone's property. If your cat is found doing either, it can be impounded for 96 hours at Krebs and Co. Veterinary Service, or until you pay the fine at the Town Office for its release. After the 96 hours, any cats not redeemed will either be destroyed or sold, and the money kept by the Town.

If a cat is destroying your property, you may obtain a cat trap from the Town, in confidence, with strict provisions to follow. If the provisions are not followed, the person may face a fine of \$500.

"I don't think there will be a noticeable change this winter. There are restrictions regarding the use of

**"There will be very little difference at any time for responsible pet owners who do not allow their pets to negatively impact their neighbors. Eventually, this may make a difference in the number of stray cats and their impact in town."**

-Dorothy Moore, mayor

cat traps in winter, and frozen gardens and flower beds are not quite as vulnerable to cat damage. There will be very little difference at any time for responsible pet owners who do not allow their pets to negatively impact their neighbors," said Mayor Dorothy Moore. "Eventually, this may make a difference in the number of stray cats and their impact in town."

Council made the decision to pass the bylaw, after years of controversy over

the issue, after listening to the residents and what they wanted done to solve the cat problem.

"Ongoing communication with residents has brought the cat problem to our attention now and then over past years. We have received several letters of complaint when cats have caused damage or problems for residents who do not own them," said Moore. "After informal input from citizens on this issue over a period of years, we brought the possibility of a

cat bylaw to meetings with residents during last council's tenure, and again with this Council last year at the Train Station at which a large majority of citizens were in favor of a cat con-

trol bylaw. We had a public meeting on the cat bylaw on Dec. 13 at which several citizens spoke in favor of a cat bylaw."

The Town will be offering a cat identification tag service to residents for a nominal fee. There will be a 45 day grace period before any traps are provided to citizens. The tags have been ordered, and they should arrive in mid-February.

"Once the tags are in, the town will advertise that citizens are required to tag their cat(s)," said Moore. "The tags will be free for one month."

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# Illegal hunters pay the price for violations

by Dan Singleton

Hunters who refused to follow the rules during the 2005 hunting season really paid the price on Jan. 20, with more than \$13,000 in fines handed out at Didsbury provincial court.

Commissioner Debra Prowse dealt with 14 cases during a 90 minute court session, most of the cases stemming from violations that occurred during the Nov. 2005 hunting season.

"We're really happy that the courts are viewing these violations very seriously. It will serve as a deterrent to others who would be inclined to abuse their hunting privileges."

"Violations don't just happen during hunting season, they happen year round," he added.

Gordon Anthony Brown, 50, of Olds, was fined \$2,500 and prohibited from hunting for two years after pleading guilty to a charge of wasting big game meat under the Wildlife Act.

Brown shot and left an elk in a wooded area west of Sundre on Nov. 19, court heard. Despite an offer of assistance from another hunter, Brown decided to leave the animal to spoil. He did not properly tag the animal either.

"This is an extremely blatant case of wastage," said Crown prosecutor Dave Barrows.

Douglas Vincent Wales, 48, of Sundre, was

**"We're really happy that the courts are viewing these violations very seriously. It's a great day for wildlife enforcement. It will serve as a deterrent to others who would be inclined to abuse their hunting privileges."**

-Sundre Fish and Wildlife officer Jim Mitchell

fined \$1,615 after pleading guilty to a charge of hunting without a licence and shooting from the road.

Wales shot at a decoy deer three times from a roadway north of Sundre on Nov. 18, hitting the mechanical bait twice, court heard. Wildlife officers hiding nearby observed the shooting and confronted Wales at the scene.

Mario Spaziani, 50, of

Calgary, pleaded guilty to a charge of hunting without a licence and shooting from road, and was fined \$1,615.

Spaziani shot a deer in a restricted special licence area near Burnstick Lake west of Sundre on Nov. 19.

Another Calgary man, Claude Beaulieu, 23, was fined \$1,915 after pleading guilty to hunting without a licence, providing false information to a wildlife officer, and being an ineligible hunter.

Beaulieu shot a deer within 200 metres of a residence near Water Valley on Nov. 26. He did not have a licence at the time.

Hugo Gallant, 20, also from Calgary, was with Beaulieu during the Nov. 26 incident. He pleaded guilty to a charge of illegal possession of wildlife and was fined \$500.

On Friday morning, a number of other individuals submitted payments voluntarily in cases involving various hunting violations such as having loaded firearms in vehicles and shooting from a roadway.

Commissioner Prowse ordered the majority of the money collected from fines on Friday to be directed to the volunteer-driven Alberta Stream Watch Conservation Coalition, which conducts year-round patrols of wilderness areas in west central Alberta.

Anyone witnessing illegal hunting in Alberta can call the Report-A-Poacher hot line 24 hours a day at 1-800-642-3800 or at the district office in Sundre 638-3805.

## TOWN OF DIDSBURY Council Highlights – January 17, 2006

- Council passed the second and third reading of the Cat Bylaw 05-10. Implementation will begin once all the necessary requirements are in place. Cat licenses will now be ordered. The one month amnesty dates will be advertised and the procedures will be clarified for residents after the licenses arrive.

- Amendments were made to the Rate Bylaw 05-12. The Off Season Ice Rates were actually decreased

and will be comparable with other facilities in the area.

- Council directed Administration to increase the size of the weekly Town of Didsbury Ad to a half page in the Didsbury Review at a new contract rate which will actually cost less for a one year period.

- Byron Sayer and Greg Hnatiuk were appointed as the Town of Didsbury's official Weed Inspectors. By having weed inspectors appointed, the Town is

eligible to apply for a grant from Mountain View County to help with the cost of weed control.

- Committees of Council have been reviewing all of the Town's Policies. Council approved three policies with updates, corrections and amendments. The Ball Diamond Users Policy, Rosebud Valley Campground Policy and Rosebud Valley Campground Cash Handling Policy were approved as amended.



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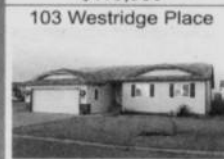
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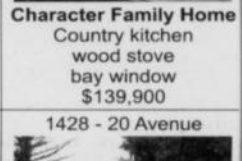
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# OPINIONS EDITORIAL

## Verna's story



TAMARA COLLINS  
EDITORIAL

This week I wrote a story about a lady named Verna Smith, who lost her husband to Alzheimer Disease. Meeting with Verna and hearing her story was a very touching experience for me. Verna cared for her husband for over 10 years, and throughout that time she made life for him as good as possible. What really touched me was her unselfishness, and the caring nature

with which she cared for her husband.

I have asked myself since meeting with Verna, if I would be able to do that. Care for my husband for ten years, and put his needs before my own day after day? I do not have a husband, but I would like to think that when I do I would be willing to do the same thing for him, without even giving it a second thought. I guess that is what love is all about...

I admire Verna for her strength, and her drive in life. I encourage all of you reading this to go to the Library this Thursday afternoon and listen first hand to Verna talk about this horrible disease that affects so many people, and how to get through it, even though there is still no cure. Verna knows that there are ways of making it better, and still living your life to the fullest whether it's you with the disease or you caring for someone who has it.



OLDS DIDSBURY THREE HILLS MLA COLUMN

## Canadian beef still safe, cattle trade unlikely to be affected, says Horner

Doug Horner, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development today released the following statement on the discovery of the fourth case of BSE in Canada:

"The Canadian Food Inspection Agency has confirmed that animal tissue collected under the Canada-Alberta BSE Surveillance Program has tested positive for bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE). Canada is still well within the controlled risk category for BSE, as recognized by the international organization for animal health. We will continue to use our enhanced surveillance program to assist us as we move to eradicate BSE.

As the CFIA stated, there is no threat to human health from this additional case of BSE. No part of the animal entered either the human food or animal feed chain. The most effective way of ensuring food

safety - a ruminant-to-ruminant feed ban and the removal of specified risk materials. This is already being done within Canada.

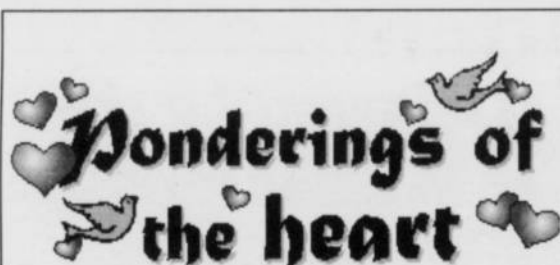
Let me stress that finding additional cases of BSE is not unexpected. In fact, it is understood that testing for BSE could result in the discovery of more cases of the disease - which is part of the reason that the World Organization for Animal Health changed the rules around BSE risk categories. This rule change was aimed at recognizing the work done in countries like Canada, Japan and the U.S. that have had indigenous cases of BSE, but also have thorough education, reporting and eradication programs aimed at eliminating the disease from their cattle herds.

That said, we do not expect this additional case to affect our trade with other countries,

who continue to recognize the steps taken by both the U.S. and Canada to eliminate this disease from the North American herd.

Our international trading partners and domestic consumers also know that North American beef remains the safest in the world. Not only do our producers and processors use safe, world-class practices throughout the value-chain, but highest risk materials - brains, spinal cords and so on - are also removed from the final product. We will continue to work closely with our industry and the CFIA to further improve these risk mitigation measures.

On a final note, I would like to commend the CFIA working in partnership with Alberta to diligently prevent, discover and eliminate foreign animal disease."



by Margaret Fradley

## "Think on these things"

What good things have happened to you since I last wrote? A speaker recently challenged me on this very question. He said when meeting with a friend he had not seen for a time, he would ask them "What good things have happened to you since we last met?" Asking this question can lead us into a very positive conversation, and be uplifting for both of us.

Very often when we meet with friends, we have the tendency to discuss the more negative things happening in our world, in our communities and even in our own lives. Yes, there are many sad and deplorable things going on, hurricanes, flooding, and very difficult times for many people. And we do need to be aware of them, and take time to talk about them, but there are times when these issues take preeminence in our lives, and we tend to dwell on them.

It is good to think on those things which are positive which are also part of our lives, which are occurring every day around about us. In this day and age we need a lot of encouragement, we need to think on those things which bring us hope, assurance, a sense of belonging, a sense of being cared about. Let us strive to "think on those things", I believe it will make a difference.



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#### Letter to the editor:

At the end of the Second World War Canada had four aircraft carriers but by 1960 we had only the Bon Adventure left.

It was refitted in the middle of the 1960s for \$60,000 just before it was sold for scrap reputedly to China.

Navy veterans say no, it was sailed past China and sold to India who used it in their war against Pakistan.

Trudeau and the Liberals said they got \$2 million dollars for scrap. Ask any Pakistani officer.

At the beginning of the 1950s A.V. Roe of Malton, Ontario built a jet passenger airplane which was almost the first in the world.

The British Comet was ten days earlier but the Comet repeatedly plunged out of the sky killing all.

The Avro liner flew on for years, not being purchased by the R.C.A.F., the Canadian government or any Canadian airline.

The Americans, seven years later, built their first jet passenger Boeing 707 while the Canadians turned their plane into scrap.

The Avro Arrow, which most Canadians know about, would fly around 1,600 m.p.h. which was unheard of in 1957.

The Americans scrapped their F-106 and F-107 aircraft because they of course were outdated immediately.

Arrow number 206, which had the new Titanium Iriquois engine, was scrapped before it could fly.

The Diefenbaker government even destroyed all plans and the titanium alloy research books of the number one metallurgist working with the metal that had a combination of lightness of aluminum with the strength of steel.

Number 206, it was felt, would go Mach 3 or even four and our airplane was the first in the world to be able to take off and land by computer. Fly by Wire Navigation- all destroyed by the Tories.

Our Canadian scientist Gerald Bull figured he could build a canon to fire 40 or 400 miles or even fire a satellite into orbit. But the Canadian government discouraged him.

He went to the U.S. and worked there, but he ended up working for Iraq and either the C.I.A. or Mossad killed the man.

Who wants a satellite into orbit for a couple of hundred thousand when your friends can do it for only a couple of hundred million?

How many Canadians remem-

ber our research missile centre at Churchill, Manitoba or the Black Brant rocket? How about the velvet glove air to air missile?

You know it's strange when the Canadians destroyed their own missile and started building the American Sparrow, the Germans came to Canada and bought our sparrow from Lytton Industries because it was better than the American model.

In the 1960s Canada built the 100 foot BraDor patrol boat.

It was taken to NATO demonstrations at Bremmerhaven, Germany where it cruised past observers at 30 knots but then made a quick turn and whistled by at 60 knots.

Canada had a Hydrofoil which stole the show. Mr. Trudeau brought it back to Canada and because of fuel problems made it into scrap.

Lucky for the Russians, they immediately copied the design. You can easily check this in Jane's book of fighting warships.

In 1972 Canadair of Montreal produced the CL-84, a short take-off and landing aircraft.

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miles.

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Have you ever seen a helicopter pilot do a hands-off flight?

I haven't.

You may see one in the Ottawa or Winnipeg museum where the government of this great nation consigned them. But don't worry, we can buy a helicopter for a bunch of billions.

De Havilland Aircraft produced the Beaver, Otter, Caribou, Buffalo and Dash 7 and 8 and you may see the 7 and 8 at the Calgary airport just about any day.

Canada put hundreds of millions into those two excellent airplanes before Brian Mulroney sold the company to the Americans.

I wonder whose plan was crossed?

Is it any accident that Canada is helpless?

It's very difficult for Canadians to believe their politicians are corrupt but as the expression goes, give your head a shake.

Dennis Combs,  
Olds



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##### TOWN COUNCIL:

January Feb. 7, 2006 - Council Chambers, 7:00 pm

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Wed., February 1, 2006 - Council Chambers, 4:30 pm

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Wednesday, January 25, 2006 Elks Hall 7:00 pm

#### NEW DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

The following Development Permits have been issued for the following proposed developments:

- DP 07-06 309 Southridge Place - Accessory Building R2
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Further information may be obtained at the Town Office. Person(s) wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing with the appropriate fees to the secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 pm on **Feb. 7, 2006**.

Robert Wigg, Development Officer

#### NOTICE OF VOLUNTEER POSITION MEMBER AT LARGE

##### MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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Interested parties should submit a letter of interest/resume to: Secretary, Municipal Planning Commission

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Applications will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. January 27, 2006.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT



##### Cat Bylaw 05-10 was passed at the January 17, 2006 Council Meeting

Residents will be required to get a cat tag/license for their pets. Tags have been ordered and when they arrive residents can get a tag for their cat **free** for one month. Watch this spot for announcements of when tags are in.

For more information, contact the Town Office.

**The Didsbury Town Office will be closed the second Friday of each month between the hours of 12 noon and 1:00 p.m.  
Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.**

# School board has concerns with MLA's private members bill

by Shawne Mohl

If Richard Marz, MLA for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills, had his way taxpayers would show their money they are dishing out annually for education taxes and put it right back in their pockets; however, administrators and politicians with Chinook's Edge School Division (CESD) have a few concerns.

CESD Board Chairman Roy Brassard believes that with taxpayers paying the education tax portion it makes the board more accountable to the public. He believes without this link the accountability would be lost and maybe even forgotten completely.

"My concern is that we have a local link right now," Brassard said at last Wednesday's board meeting in Innisfail. "But if that money stopped being collected there wouldn't be as much accountability in my mind."

Marz introduced Bill 210, a private members bill, in the Alberta Legislature in December that would have seen the elimination of the education tax portion on property taxes wiped out over five years, a 20 per cent reduction annually.

Albertans tax bills include a municipal portion which goes to the municipality which they live and also a portion of their tax bills goes directly to the Province which goes to pay for education. This portion is set and controlled by the Provincial government.

"Getting rid of the education property tax will help seniors stay in their homes longer, and young people get into a home sooner (by making it) more affordable," Marz explained in an earlier interview.

Aside from giving Albertans a tax break on their property taxes Marz says it would allow Alberta to compete better throughout North America.

"We have to be competitive in North America with our taxes to attract manufacturing, to attract the most educated, brightest minds to keep our prices cutting-edge and moving forward," he added.

Despite Marz's plea with his government to

get this passed, the Bill died on the order table in December because it was not passed before the legislature closed down for Christmas.

Marz accepted the fact that his government will tell him that they can't afford it, however, Marz believes they can.

"I'll be told we can't afford it but we were paying that \$3 billion on the debt interest in principle, when gas was averaging \$3 per gigajoule and oil was \$3 a barrel."

Both Brassard and CESD Superintendent Jim Gibbons believe that not only would the local link be lost, but there could be cuts in education funding if this money stopped coming from Alberta taxpayers.

Gibbons says that if the tax is eliminated and Provincial revenues drop in the years to come what will happen then.

"My feeling is that if you eliminate the tax

what happens when things are not so good? It's very difficult to put a tax back in," Gibbons said. "I would support bringing it down, maybe, but not to eliminate it completely."

Brassard says the Board will invite Marz in to speak with them about Bill 210 and voice their concerns. Brassard says, however, that he has confidence Marz knows what he is talking about.

"Mr. Marz has been in municipal politics before, so I am sure he has thought this out well," Brassard said. "But, we just want to sit down with him and discuss our concerns."

The program, if implemented, would cost Alberta roughly \$1.4 billion annually.

Marz was unavailable, prior to press time, for comment on the Board's reaction to Bill 210 as he is out of the country.

# Didsbury's weed inspectors

by Tamara Collins

Didsbury now has two weed inspectors, after Town Council appointed them at last week's Town Council meeting, in an effort to receive a grant from the Mountain View County (MVC).

MVC provides a grant which the Town can apply for and dedicate towards weed control. In order to receive this grant, the Town must have Weed Inspectors.

"There are restricted and noxious weeds that are required to be identified and removed as per Alberta Agriculture legislation," said Dorothy Moore, mayor of Didsbury. "The weed inspectors identify the restricted/noxious weeds and make arrangements for their removal."

Byron Sayer and Special Constable Greg Hnatiuk are the

Town's appointed weed inspectors.

"This is an ongoing preventative measure to keep noxious weeds under control, both in the town and the

county," said Moore. "The town and the county have a shared interest in keeping noxious weeds under control for their own and one another's benefit."

# Charges laid in vandalism

by Tamara Collins

The Didsbury RCMP have charged a man as a result of their investigation into the three houses that were damaged in Morris Meadows back in Nov. 2005.

The houses were broken into, and walls were kicked in, windows were smashed, and holes were punched. The damage was in the thousands of dollars.


Evan Sagert, of Didsbury, was charged with Break and Enter and mischief.

"There is indication

that other subjects were involved, but the investigation is ongoing," said Didsbury RCMP Cpl. Fischer.

The same night the houses were vandalized, some cars in that area were also vandalized. The RCMP are looking for the public's assistance in identifying other individuals also believed to be responsible for these crimes. If you have any information, please contact the local RCMP at 335-3382.

Sagert is scheduled to appear in court on Feb. 13.



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# Neighbourhood

## Living, loving and learning through Alzheimer Disease

by Tamara Collins

Verna Smith was in her late forties when her husband Dave was diagnosed with Alzheimer Disease.

Dave was 54, their children both in their teens.

The symptoms started earlier; Dave stopped taking initiative, would not make decisions, he was demoted at his job at the University of Calgary, the income tax was done wrong, and one day he was at a red traffic light, but did not know what that meant.

Verna was feeling frustrated and confused by his actions, and even started thinking about divorce.

They went to the doctor, and it was confirmed he had Alzheimer Disease after an ultrasound was done.

Verna retired from her teaching career to care for her husband, which quickly became a full time job, as she was unable to leave Dave alone.

"I remember after we found out he had Alzheimer Disease, I went to research it to find out what I could, but there was nothing, no information to help us," said Verna.

Verna cared for her husband until he passed away at the age of 65, but throughout the years in between Verna helped her husband and herself lead a full life.

"It is important not to hibernate in your home, but learn to work with the person's strengths," said Verna.

They took an Alaskan cruise together, hiked the Grand Canyon, and walked the Great Wall of China.

"I remember when we hiked the Grand Canyon, two people we were with got hypothermia so Dave took their packs and carried them," said Verna. "He was always a good man."

The couple continued to ski together every weekend throughout Dave's illness.

"He could not make the decision to get on the chair lift, but once he was up on the hill he sure knew how to get down," said Verna. "He used to be a ski patrol at Lake Louise."

Throughout the past 100 years many discoveries have been made about the Alzheimer disease; discoveries that have broken down road blocks, and answered many questions.

Unfortunately there is still much left answered.

Dr. Alois Alzheimer's 1906 discovery now forms the building blocks on the current knowledge of the disease.

He identified the "plaques" and "tangles" in a woman's brain as the hallmark traits of the disease, and transformed what was once considered "senility" and a normal part of aging into the disease now named after him.

There is more information than ever before about the disease, and lots of support for people who have it and their caregivers.

Verna, who resides in Madden, travels between Cochrane and Sundre telling about the disease which affects an estimated 435,000 Canadians over the age of 65, 298,000 women and 137,000 men.

There are two forms of Alzheimer's Disease; Familial, a rare inherited form which affects five to seven per cent of people, and the more common Sporadic, which affects people randomly.

Although the disease can strike at any age, it is most common in those over 65.

Alzheimer Disease is a degenerative disease that destroys vital brain cells.

Dave had the rare Familial type. He had both aunts and uncles who had the disease.

"If you think, or you know anyone who thinks they may have the symptoms, start investigating right away through a doctor," said Verna. "Get diagnosed early so they can prescribe drugs that will help slow down the disease. They still don't know the cause, and there is no cure, but we can slow it down."

Verna feels if she had all the information she has today, she could have better cared for her husband.

"It is so important to inform your friends and family, and seek their support," said Verna. "Don't be afraid to ask for help. I lost all my friends because I just expected them to know what to do, but they didn't and I didn't tell them, and then I got angry. I should have called them and asked them to come and watch Dave for an hour so I could go for a walk, but I didn't."

Verna's dog Jasper was around for all of Dave's illness, and he was a big help to Verna.

She would tie Dave and Jasper together, send them off for a walk, and set a timer for 20 minutes. Jasper always got Dave home safely.

In the nights Dave would sometimes get up and walk around the house.

Jasper would follow him,



Verna Smith reminisces with a memory board she created of her time with her husband during his illness with Alzheimer's disease.

and if Dave ever needed help Jasper would lick Verna to wake her up.

Throughout Dave's disease, Verna felt she may have neglected her two children, who moved out right out of high school.

Later on, their daughter started a nursing career and really started to help care for her dad.

Verna's own health started to become an issue, as happens in many caregiver situations because of the stress.

Two years prior to Dave's passing Verna put him in a nursing home in Cochrane.

"I put our name on the waiting list, and we got the first call in April saying there was a spot for him, but I was not ready," said Smith. "We got another call in October, and finally in November he was placed, probably about a year and a half later than I should have."

There is a lot of pain involved in the disease, and a lot of fear from the person, as they get confused about what is going on around them.

"I could see as he deteriorated, it was his eyes that

would go," said Verna.

Verna was inspired to help others learn about the disease, because of the help she needed and didn't have.

Dave went through the disease for over 10 years without ever being on any medication, as none was available at that time.

"There are too many people out there to have to go through this alone," said Verna.

"There is an amazing amount of workshops, support and information out there, you just have to access them. Just know that no two people are the same, everyone is different, it just depends on their state of fear."

January is Alzheimer Awareness month, and in recognition of that, Verna, who volunteers for the Alzheimer Society of Calgary, will be speaking at the Didsbury Library on Jan. 26 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. about the disease.

You can visit [www.alzheimercalgary.com](http://www.alzheimercalgary.com), or contact the Alzheimer Society of Calgary to have Verna speak in your town.

### Ten Warning Signs of Alzheimer Disease

1. Memory loss that affects day-to-day function
2. Difficulty performing familiar tasks
3. Problems with language
4. Disorientation of time and place
5. Poor or decreased judgment
6. Problems with abstract thinking
7. Misplacing things
8. Changes in mood and behaviour
9. Changes in personality
10. Loss of initiative

## NEIGHBOURHOOD



## At The Kitchen Table

by  
Noreen Olson

It's snowing as I write this and much as I dislike snow, cold and ice I'm glad to see it. It's really been too warm to be healthy for our trees and perennials. There are big fat buds on the elderberries and suspicious swellings on the lilacs and chokecherries. Some people have iris and hyacinth coming up and I'm sure that anything planted near a foundation is growing.

Our roses and hydrangea are covered with Styrofoam Rose Huts and I hope that they are staying dormant under there. I haven't looked closely at the other perennials, since there is nothing I can do about it I'd rather not know.

As soon as the Christmas tree came down I brought the geraniums up from the basement. They were leggy and straggly so I trimmed them back and then didn't have the heart to throw out the trimmings so I have about 25 slips in peat pots. Actually this is an improvement over last year when I started 40 of the variegated leaf type and 8 dark red. None of them were wildly successful because they didn't bloom until quite late in the season but then it was such a miserable summer that nothing was wildly successful so I can't blame the geraniums and even though I said I wouldn't do that again, it looks like I have. I had quite a time placing my 40 variegated leaf geraniums and in the end I was just poking them in wherever I could find a bare spot. I put several in a half barrel with annual dahlias but because of the cold and rain the dahlias just sat there and sulked and the geraniums took over and crowded them out. At the same time I put a couple of geraniums and three or four dainty little white lamiums around the base of my new diablo ninebark and in a matter of days the lamium had swarmed the whole bed and formed an impenetrable mat that choked everything but the thistles. There are no rules in gardening and after forty odd years I am still a rank amateur.

The seed catalogues have arrived and it's pretty hard to resist pulmonarias called "raspberry splash," and "champagne bubbles." Mine is plain old "Mrs. Moon", and I hope she has survived this unusual winter with absolutely no snow to protect her. Pulmonaria is from the lungwort family and Lungwort was so named by an English biologist who thought that the pendulous little dead flowers on the dried specimen he was studying looked like a diseased lung. It's a long way from a diseased lung to raspberry splash and champagne bubbles. And speaking of extravagant names, how about "Super Parfait Raspberry Dianthus" and "Baby Wing Pink Begonias." I won't be trying either one. The Begonia seeds are \$73.90 for 250 seeds and way out of my league, the Dianthus are 40 seeds for \$3.79 which isn't so bad but I really don't have a good place to start seeds.

Several years ago I bought 10 geranium seeds for \$3.50 and got 0 plants which should have put me off buying any seeds beyond the ordinary, but gardeners are a credulous lot so the next year I bought 14 Gazania seeds for about \$5.00 and blessed if I didn't get 14 plants. Not only that, I saved seeds from my 14 plants and last year I had 50 perfectly lovely Gazanias in many, many colors. I wish I could start my own Bacopa, I use a lot of it and it's very expensive. Maybe I should try the Dianthus after all.

Last summer we made several visits to the gardens at Olds College and I think this is a great way to learn about new varieties and get ideas for your own flowerbeds. I have never had Feverfew but it seems to grow well at the college as does Michaelmas Daisy, Rudbeckia, Gallardia Red Plume and Cherries Jubilee Saxifrage all lovely plants that I think I'd like to try. Their roses this year were lovely and I want a Hope for Humanity and a Morden Sunrise.

At this time of year my garden is limited only by my imagination. The real garden will have to deal with time, space, deer, bugs, weeds, my energy and weather conditions. The real garden is months away. For now I am quite happy with the seed catalogues, my geranium slips, and enough snow to cover the pulmonaria.

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by Noreen Olson

## BOARD YET?

A Mountain View Colts player sends a Lacombe Wrangler into the boards, Sunday. Although the Colts won this battle they lost the war 5-2 against Lacombe on home ice in Didsbury.

photo by Carla Victor



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Recently this building became a Quilting Shop and I think that's appropriate as quilts were almost a 'necessity of life' back in 1914. A tie to the past!



# Faces



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**ATM Machine**

by Tamara Collins

## OKCS hosts scrapbooking fundraiser



Kirsten Phillips

On Saturday, Feb. 4 bring yourself, your friends, and your scrapbooking materials and head over to Olds Koinonia Christian School (OKCS) from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. for their first annual Scrapbooking Meet.

The Meet is a fundraiser, which proceeds will go towards completing the gym change rooms in the new

campus center at the school. There is funding for the bigger projects on the campus, but a committee is left to raise money for the smaller ones, such as tiling and plumbing for the change rooms.

"This is going to be a big gathering of scrapbookers," said Kirsten Phillips, organizer.

"It will be like a mini trade show, and will include vendors from local businesses on site selling products and giving demonstrations."

The charge is \$5 at the door, but organizers would like to know how many people to expect, so you are asked to call 556-4038 by Jan. 31 and leave your

name and number if you will be attending.

Snacks and drinks will be provided, but a lunch will not.

"The vendors will have tools for your use," said Phillips. "They will also show and teach us about digital photography."

All ages are welcome, and door prizes will be given out.

## "You Go Girl"

Growing up and developing into a woman is never an easy thing to do for a girl, but it can be so much more enjoyable if you have good friends, a high self-esteem, and confidence.

The Town of Didsbury will be starting their 'You Go Girl' program again this Feb. and all young girls between the ages of 8 and 16 are encouraged to sign up.

This program, taught by Katie Lutz, will focus on

being a good friend, team building, being a girl and just having fun.

"This is a great opportunity to try new things," said Lutz. "It is a really positive environment, with a lot of positive reinforcements, and the girls can just be themselves. They don't need to worry about fitting in, expectations or cliques."

The program starts Wed. Feb. 1, and will run for eight weeks, until March 22. For

the age group 8 to 12, the program will go from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. and for the age group 13 to 16, the program will go from 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

"Middle and high school can be very hard, but it can be made easier with good friends," said Lutz. "It is important to learn to be a good friend now, and that will carry with you through life."

The girls will do activities

such as dance lessons and scrapbooking, and there is room to accommodate what the girls want to do.

"Girls at this age have a lot to deal with, the focus of this is to just have fun," said Lutz.

The program will be held in the Memorial Complex, the girls will all meet in the lobby. The cost is \$45 per girl, and you can register at the Didsbury Aquatic Center. No drop-ins allowed!



Katie Lutz

## Community group information and registration night



Byron Sayer

On Feb. 16, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., join nine local community groups in the Multi-Purpose Room at the Memorial Complex, in displaying for you what activities your community has to offer.

"The idea is to promote local youth community groups, provide exposure to

them, and a chance for people to register," said Byron Sayer, Town manager of arena and parks. The nine groups that are currently registered to attend are KidSport, Minor Baseball, Minor Softball, Lacrosse, Karate, the Didsbury Library, Cadets, and Soccer.

"We want to educate people about these groups, and let people know what is out there," said Sayer. The groups are primarily for youth activities, but there are a few for adults that will be on site that evening too.

"A lot of these programs people don't know about.

We want to keep kids active in a productive and positive way, and we can start doing that by introducing them to these groups," said Sayer. "We are hoping to make this an annual thing."

KidSport will also be selling equipment that night for various sports.



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## NEIGHBOURHOOD

## AROUND THE CIRCLE

# Verna Smith from the Alzheimer Society speaks at the Library this Thursday

by Marge St. Clair

**Wed. Jan. 25**

If you are interested in hearing Mr. Robert Wigg of the Town of Didsbury speak on "The Trail System" for Didsbury you are welcome to come to the Elks Hall tonight. Tea, coffee & goodies will be served after the O.O.R.P. meeting.

**Thurs. Jan. 26**

All seniors of the Town and districts are invited to Eldon Foote Hall at 1:00 p.m. for an afternoon of activities. Men, remember you are most welcome. Refreshments served.

**Thurs. Jan. 26**

If you are interested in learning more about Alzheimer's Disease, please feel welcome to come to the Didsbury Library from 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. to hear Verna Smith from the Alzheimer Society.

**Thurs. Jan. 26**

The Rosebud Health

Foundation needs members for the Board. The annual meeting is being held tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the 5-0 Club in Didsbury. Election of officers will be held. Refreshments will follow the meeting. If you have questions, please phone John Overwater 335-4960.

Do you have extra slightly used blankets? If so, please drop them off at the Didsbury Market Place, they will be taken to the Mustard Seed in Calgary for the many homeless people.

The Mens Bonspiel is being held in Carstairs from Jan. 25 - 29. Please phone Evan 337-3148 or Dave 337-4073 for entry & details.

**Fri. Jan. 27**

Cribbage play starts at 7:00 p.m. at the 5-0 Centre. You will enjoy the visiting and the goodies served after the card games.

**Sat. Jan. 28**

All Stamp Collectors are

invited to meet at the Didsbury Library at 1:00 p.m. Buy, sell, trade and learn.

**Sun. Jan. 29**

Darts are played at the Elks Hall at 1:00 p.m. If you don't know the game, come and learn how to play.

**Mon. Jan. 30**

Tricia Neufeld at 335-4270 will give you all the information on the Mom's Time Out (Dads too) held at the United Church Hall from 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. on Monday mornings. There are guest seminars, parenting issues discussions etc. There is a small babysitting fee.

Also a free gym program for youths aged 13 - 18 years at the Portable by the High School is available by contacting Renee 335-2083.

And don't forget the Toy Library located now near Ross Ford & Westglen Schools, where you can borrow toys for up to 2 weeks. Call Kerri at 335-8041 for

more info.

The Didsbury Ladies Bonspiel is being held Feb. 2 - 5th. Please phone Trish Scott 335-4470, evenings to enter.

**Fri. Feb. 3**

This is family fun night at the Didsbury Aquatic Centre with pizza at 6:00 p.m. and swimming from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

**Sat. Feb. 4 - A Gala Event**

Local and imported notables will "ROAST" one of our celebrated members, namely Bill Ward at the Didsbury Elks Hall, Cocktails at 6:30 p.m., Prime Rib Dinner at 7:00 p.m., Celebrity roast at 9:00 p.m. Open to the public with tickets at Gallery of Floors, Kuelker Supplies and Ward Value Drugs, more info by phoning Shawn Waite 335-3188.

**Sun. Feb. 5**

St. Anthony's Catholic Church Turkey supper is being held at the Zion E.M.

Church from 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Admission at the door, special rates for families, a big welcome to all.

**Mon. Feb. 6**

The Alzheimer Support Group will meet from 12 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. in the Boardroom at the Olds Hospital. Please phone Wendy 335-2393 for more info.

**Tues. Feb. 7**

The Didsbury Hospital Auxiliary will meet at 2:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital. New members always welcome.

**Tues. Feb. 7**

Dr. Nugent will be at the 5-0 Centre from 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. No appointment necessary.

**Wed. Feb. 8**

There will be a pot luck dinner at the 5-0 Club starting at 12:30 p.m. Casseroles, salads, veggies and desserts are made from favorite recipes and enjoyed by all.

Parents &amp; Grandparents...

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## DMHA RAMBLER MINUTE

# Tyke 1 Ramblers "A Team To Reckon With"

This year's Tyke 1 team has a good mix of veteran and rookie players making them a tough team to beat. They have a solid core of veterans that bring well rounded experience to the team, as well as rookies who have done nothing but contribute to the success of this franchise. They have been very successful this season already, only losing two league games and representing the Rambler name well in the tournaments they have attended.

They have two of the top female players in the league. Gina Tsiras and Emma Dodyk have been giving goalies nightmares all season by putting the puck in the net, game after game, as well as playing solidly in their own end. The veteran boys on the team have been adding their offensive and defensive support to the team as well. Graysen Cameron and Caden Switzer have been strong players as they add scoring punch, determination, leadership and hard work to round out the veteran core of this Rambler team.

The rookies on this team have developed into a force to be reckoned with. Hunter Nelson, Brock Krebs, Bodie Shields and Caleb Krebs have been solid defenders and have added some scoring touch when needed. These players come out every game ready to contribute and play as hard as they can. The

last three rookies this team has maybe small, but what they lack in size they make up with speed and determination. Caleb Schindel, Carson Dussault, and Simon Kreiser surprise a lot of teams with their deceiving speed and quick hands. Don't blink or you will miss them as they fly down the rink. The coaching staff is quite solid, even if they are a little old in the tooth. The coaches consist of Steve Dodyk, Pam Cameron, Allan Shields and Jason Switzer. The coaches have been happy with the how well these players have gelled as a team, but they said it is not a huge surprise when you look at the talent and determination of these young players.

The management core of Kim and Rita Krebs has been working hard in the off season to recruit and sign the players you see today. Without their efforts this team would not be where they are today.

This weeks action

**Tyke1:** Participated in a tournament in Olds.

**Tyke2:** Having won virtually all their games to date, the Tykes participated in a tournament in Bowden. The first game was against Blackie. Blackie had the win, 8-3. Then the Tykes had a close game with Chestermere, losing 9-8. The team came back in the third period of their final game, to close the gap against Okotoks. Okotoks had the win

10-8.

**Novice:** had a weekend off.

**Atoms** faced strong pressure in league play on Saturday, losing to Okotoks 5-2. Sunday saw the Atoms battling Caroline with intensity in the final two minutes but unable to tie the game. Final score: 4-3. The Atoms will travel to Ponoka for tournament action January 27-29.

**Pee Wee:** Won 4-3 at home against Innisfail in an exhibition game on Saturday. On Sunday, the Pee Wees played an intense game of hockey in Cochrane. Fans and parents all reported it was an exciting game! The final score : 0-0 .

**Bantams**, on home ice, again defeated Carstairs, 9-2 . The Bantams will be playing in the Olds Tournament , January 27-29.

**Midget:** No report

### UPCOMING GAMES:

Provincials Playdowns have begun in the Atom, Bantam, and Midget divisions. While the Bantams have a first round bye-the Atom and Midget teams will be playing against Sundre. January 24, 2006 5:45 Atom T4 vs Sundre T2 (Provincial Playdown)

January 28, 2006 1:00 PeeWee vs Cochrane

January 28, 2006 3:15 Novice vs Sundre

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Midget vs Sundre (Provincial Playdown)

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## Klein bucks on their way

by Shawne Mohl

By the end of the month you and everyone else in your household should be \$400 richer.

The Provincial government's rebate program where every man, woman, and child in the Province will be receiving their Alberta 2005 Resource Rebate cheques worth \$400 each should be in mailboxes as early as this week.

"If they filed their 2004 tax return on time and they were residents in Alberta on September 1, 2005 they should get the cheque without any problems and that should be by the end of January," said Gerald Kastendieck, a spokesperson with Alberta Finance.

Everyone 18 and older, including aboriginal residents as well as Alberta stu-

dents studying elsewhere, will receive the rebate.

For children 17 and under the \$400 rebates will be mailed out in the name of their primary caregiver.

"Alberta has eliminated the accumulated debt, invested in priority programs, and sustained the lowest overall tax burden in Canada. This is money Albertans can use for themselves, to spend or save as they see fit."

The program was announced by Alberta's Premier Ralph Klein, who says that every Albertan should receive a "piece of the pie" since Alberta is bringing in record high revenues from oil and gas royalties.

Some Albertans who have not yet filed their 2004 income taxes can still receive this \$400 rebate, as long as they file their taxes by December.

"If they haven't filed their 2004 tax return and they are Alberta residents they have until the end of 2006 to file their return and get their cheque; obviously they won't get their cheque until they do that, but they have until the end of year to file (their 2004 taxes)," Kastendieck added.

If you have moved since your last income tax return all you have to do is get your address changed by calling Revenue Canada at 1-800-959-8281.

This \$400 rebate is tax-free money, Alberta Finance says, meaning that you will not be taxed on either the Provincial or the Federal side.

This program is expected to cost \$1.3 billion for the rebate cheques, as well as an additional \$10 million for administration.

## What have the Snyders been up to?

Dear Family and Friends,

We had a very enjoyable Christmas and New Year time with family and friends. The weather has been amazing here in Alberta—very little snow and wonderfully mild temperatures. That has been very helpful since neither Janet nor I are acclimatized. It has been so nice to be able to walk outside.

After New Years day I determined to lose the weight that the doctor told me to lose back in November. My attempts to lose weight by walking a bit and eating more salads just weren't working, so more stringent measures were needed. I'm walking more—at least four miles most days. We were able to get pedometers and they tell us if we've done our 10,000 steps for the day. Also, I've started keeping track of calories. That explains why I wasn't losing much weight even though I was eating more salads and enjoying them. My Ranch dressing has quite a few calories, and I used a lot on each salad. Now I'm more moderate and use "lite" dressing. Using the walking and calorie watching has helped me to lose about five of the required twenty-five pounds, so I'll keep on.

Our visas have not come

and we haven't even heard anything about when they might come. There has been a slight change in the requirements of the Hungarian government for issuing the letter of invitation. We hope that the organization that we will be working with will soon be able to find a way for us to get our visas so that we can go to Hungary and start our work there.

Janet's visa to stay in Canada expires the end of January so she has booked a flight to California to spend time with her sisters there. Our hope is that the letter of invitation will come before she leaves so that she can take it with her and get her visa for Hungary while she is in the States. Please pray along with us that we will be patient and fit into God's timing.

In the mean time, Janet is helping to organize a library here and I should start doing some work for the EMCC office next week. It will involve sticking labels on brochures and pamphlets, but someone needs to do it and EMCC is paying my salary.

We continue to thank God for His wonderful provision for all of our needs. We are staying in Calgary, in the basement apartment in my cousin's home. It's very comfortable and we en-

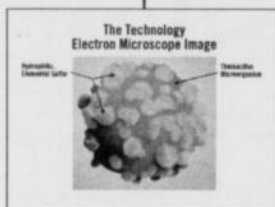
joy being here. Thanks to the many who continue to pray along with us for God's will to be worked out in our lives. Last week we had bad news three times. A missionary family serving with SIM in Jos, Nigeria had their four-year-old son drown accidentally. We know the family quite well and grieve for and with them. Please pray for Ken and Linda in their sorrow.

A Nigerian family in Jos that we also know lost their baby daughter to a sudden illness. Yildima works at Hillcrest School. When he left home in the morning his daughter was fine. That afternoon he received a phone call telling him to hurry to the mission hospital. There he found his daughter, dead. So tragic. Please pray for Yildima and his family.

We also received word from a young Guinean lady who recently graduated from Hillcrest. Aminatou has been attending university in the States, where her parents are diplomats. Last Sunday morning she went to her mother's room and found that she had died in her sleep. Her father was out of the country on business and Aminatou is the only Christian in the family. Please pray along with us for Aminatou.

Sincerely,  
Dan for the Snyders

## Natural Bacteria Means Further Reductions in Flaring



Natural occurring bacteria purifies natural gas and eliminates the need to flare in some circumstances.

Chad Sewall runs a purebred Angus cattle operation about one and a half kilometres from EnCana Corporation's Bantay sour gas plant near Brooks. Sour gas is natural gas that contains hydrogen sulphide (H<sub>2</sub>S) which can be dangerous if not handled properly. Traditionally, converting hydrogen sulphide to safer elemental sulphur requires an industrial process that can include flaring.

When the EnCana plant was announced, Sewall and his neighbors weren't comfortable having it so close. "We didn't want a continuous flare," he says. "The area is densely populated with people and livestock, we were concerned."

So EnCana, in partnership with New Paradigm Gas Processing Ltd., introduced a breakthrough technology. It is called Shell-Paques and can eliminate the need for flaring in some circumstances. The process uses a naturally occurring bacteria to separate the hydrogen from the sulphide in H<sub>2</sub>S. It's the world's first commercially operated biological process to purify natural gas by converting nearly all the H<sub>2</sub>S into sulphur.

"It was obvious from initial discussions with the area landowners and residents that they were not necessarily opposed to oil and gas development," says Todd Beasley, president of New Paradigm.

"Rather, they were vehemently opposed to continuous sources of pollution, particularly hydrogen sulphide and its combustion by-products. When we were given an opportunity to explain the intrinsic safety features of the technology and explained that the technology's sulphur recovery efficiency would eliminate the need for continuous hydrogen sulphide flaring we were able to satisfy their primary concerns."

After EnCana and New Paradigm explained the process, all local landowners and residents approved the development. EnCana's success has prompted other companies to use the same technology where it can be used.

"I'm OK with the decision," says Chad Sewall. "It shows that oil companies and landowners can get along."

## The Supply and Demand of Natural Gas



Natural gas provides heat for homes and fuel for vehicles. Prices are set in an open market.

The price of natural gas is on the minds of many Canadians this winter. It costs more to heat homes and run businesses. Higher gas costs are due largely to the rapid growth in North American consumption over the last decade. In 1990, demand for natural gas in North America was 21 trillion cubic feet a year. Today, annual demand is 25 trillion cubic feet.

Last year in Alberta, the price of natural gas was 14 per cent below the rest of Canada. Why? Because Alberta produces natural gas, we are the closest consumers to the source, which lowers transportation costs. In addition, the provincial government has a program that shields consumers from higher prices. Yet for some, prices are still too high.

The price for natural gas is not the only cost to customers on monthly gas bills. Bills include transportation costs, local distribution charges, municipal service fees and taxes. Charges vary by province, depending on how far the gas must travel from production to burner tip. Albertans save on transportation because we are closer to the source. Natural gas prices are set in an open market like other commodities such as coffee, lumber and livestock. North American prices are affected by supplies of natural gas versus demand for the fuel. When demand is higher, the price tends to rise and when there is more supply than needed, the price lowers.

While Alberta has secure long-term supplies, unexpected events can affect short-term supply.

"The major hurricanes earlier this fall caused a dramatic reduction in North American supplies — 30 per cent of the gas produced in that region has not yet been recovered," says Greg Stringham, Vice President of the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers.

To ensure long-term supplies, Alberta's oil and gas industry is working to develop new sources of natural gas such as natural gas from coal and from deeper areas and more remote areas such as Northern Canada.

Natural gas utilities can provide consumers with advice and incentives on how to be more energy efficient.

The Canadian government has answers to many questions about natural gas prices on the Natural Resources Canada web site at [www.nrcan.gc.ca](http://www.nrcan.gc.ca) (search for "gas prices FAQ"). For more on Alberta's Natural Gas Rebate Program go to [www.energy.gov.ab.ca/2853.asp](http://www.energy.gov.ab.ca/2853.asp).



# Focus on the Family



**QUESTION:** More and more, I keep hearing about children and teens being involved in shootings, stabbings and the like. What has caused many members of the younger generation to be so violent?

**DR. DOBSON:** Hundreds of millions of dollars have been invested in research to answer that question. The findings are startling. In addition to the violence children have seen on television and in the movies, and apart from the drug wars they have witnessed, the tendency toward violence is a function of the neglect and abuse so many have experienced. That is especially true of those raised in the inner city. What has been learned is that millions of children, many of them born to drug- and alcohol-dependent parents, have been subjected to unimaginable deprivation. They were left in cribs for days with dirty diapers burning their buttocks and legs. Some were hit repeatedly, or they were scalded or starved. Many were sexually exploited from their earliest days -- some even in infancy.

If they survived, they grew up on the streets with no adult guidance and care. At night, they slept in bathtubs to avoid bullets sprayed from drive-by shootings. If this description sounds exaggerated, talk to social workers or police officers who work every day in the slums of large cities.

What does it do to a child to experience intense pain, fear and deprivation at a very early age? The answers are beginning to come in. What has been learned is that kids who go through these traumas in the first year or two of life produce high levels of stress hormones -- notably cortisol and adrenaline. Those substances put the body on an "alarm reaction state" in order to cope with the crisis at hand. But in a small child, the brain is a vacuum cleaner for stress-related hormones. The human neurological apparatus is bombarded with chemicals that shouldn't be there in a child that age. The result is impairment of the boy's or girl's thinking apparatus and emotional development.

What I'm saying is that many of today's abused kids can kill and destroy without pangs of conscience because they are literally brain damaged. They don't feel what you and I feel. They can't empathize with helpless victims the way they should, because the emotion of compassion flows from cognitive functions that no longer operate.

I am not excusing their violent behavior, of course. The bottom line is this: We are paying a terrible price for the disintegration of the family and for the victimization of children. Any society that doesn't protect the most vulnerable in its midst can expect to suffer at the hands of those abused individuals when they get old enough to strike back.

**QUESTION:** Our junior-high boy is the most disorganized kid I've ever seen. His life is a jumble of forgotten assignments and missed deadlines. What can I do to help him?

**DR. DOBSON:** Educational consultant Cheri Fuller considers massive disorganization to be the most common cause for school failure, above both laziness and poor study skills. Show me a student's notebook, Fuller says, and I'll tell you whether that individual is a B student or a D student. An achieving student's notebook is arranged neatly with dividers and folders for handouts and assignments. A failing student's notebook is usually a jumbled mess and may not even be used at all.

Some children are naturally sloppy, but most of them can learn to be better organized in the elementary school years. Once they enter junior high, students may have as many as five teachers, each assigning different textbooks, workbooks, handouts and requirements from various classroom subjects. It is foolish to assume that kids who have never had any organizational training will be able to keep such detail straight and accessible.

If we want them to function in this system, we need to give them the tools that are critical to success. You might consider having your child evaluated to see if he has attention deficit disorder or some temperamental characteristic that makes it difficult for him to organize. When you've determined what he is capable of doing, work with an educational consultant or a school psychologist to design a system that will teach him how to live a more structured life.

# Didsbury Royal Purple News

by Irene Dickau & Kay Rylance

Our meeting opened with pro-tem Associate Royal Lady Sharon Wadel presiding in the absence of Royal Lady Joyce Armour. D.D. Ellen Tevendale protomed A.H.R.L. Sharon's chair, Val Hall was the Lecturing Lady, and P.H.R.L. Helen Newton filled Guards Chair. Our Historian was absent.

Sunshine Chair Helen Newton reported that she had delivered a Wedding Floral arrangement to Edna Lissle from the Lodge.

She also reported that on Dec. 20th, she and several ladies presented the Kinsman Manor with Christmas oranges.

The ladies there had coffee and Christmas goodies for us. Thank you Ladies of the Manor.

We then went to Aspen Lodge with oranges and had coffee with Betty Casebeer and Annie Pringle our Lodge sisters.

Jan. 25th we will be going to Aspen Ridge to honor Annie on the occasion of her Ninetieth Birthday. Please come at 2 p.m.

Get well cards will be sent to our Past-Provincial

President Sharen McLean who is in the hospital. Also to Don Thompson, get well soon folks.

Sympathy cards to PHRL Betty Casebeer on the death of her sister-in-law and Provincial President Marjorie Dowell on the death of her aunt.

PHRL Helen Newton thanked the Lodge for her card on the death of her brother.

Jan. birthdays are Val Hall and PHRL Annie Pringle.

Jan. 21st at 11 a.m. at the Elks Club in Calgary, District Deputy Ellen Tevendale will be having a workshop. Please attend.

Jan. 25th at 6 p.m. the

Lodge is having an information night for the public. Informal Dress and a free lunch will be provided. Further information can be obtained by contacting Shirley Thompson or Sharon Wadel. Please come and see what we are doing in our community.

We have an invitation from Calgary #7 to come help celebrate their Eighty-fifth Birthday on Feb. 6th.

Thank you were received from the Blood Services for hosting the Blood clinics last year, and from the Mt. View Food Bank for our donation.

Feb. 8th our next meeting is Past Honored Ladies night.

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## NEIGHBOURHOOD

## Didsbury Seniors Bonspiel

What a great week we had. 36 teams from Chestemere, Calgary, Carstairs, Sundre, Innisfail, Olds & Didsbury gathered at the Didsbury Curling Rink and we witnessed some great curling every day. Tuesday is always banquet day and what a bountiful dinner the B & K Grill had ready for all. Mayor Dorothy Moore welcomed all the curlers and Leonard Neufeld said Grace before the meal and then our MLA Richard Marz joined us and spoke to all the crowd.

And the results were:

A Event  
1. Vance van Dam, Delbert Taylor, Roger Hall, Gary Anning - Didsbury

2. Jack Holden, Mary Holden, Dennis Remillard, Brian Krall - Olds

3. Dick Smethurst, Rollie Gamper, John Kennedy, Norm Hodgkinson - Olds

4. Dan Nadasde, Hugh McKenzie, Eleanor McKenzie, Gwen Jensen - Carstairs

B Event  
1. Jim Richardson, Joe Holinski, Bert Hargreaves, Larry Nelson - Bowden

2. Al Graham, Garret Funkhouser, Carol Funkhouser, Elaine

Graham - Olds  
3. Bill Carruthers, Glyn Roberts, Peter Unrau, Al Molnar - Carstairs

4. Dave Melnichuk, Eric Allen, Wendy MacKenzie, Vivian Sager

Didsbury  
C Event  
1. Bob Beckwith, Bob Dixon, Ian Cook, Brian Waters - Innisfail  
2. Jim Thompson, Marshall Cullen, Bev Cullen, Harvey

McLachan - Olds  
3. Les Doering, Allan (Addie) Jamieson, Anne Doering, Denice Jamieson - Innisfail  
4. Carson Schultz, Ike Wiebe, Bill Clark, Brian Dingman - Didsbury

D Event  
1. Richard Stickney, Marianne Schultz, Keith Mullen, Diann Stickney - Didsbury  
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4-H News

by Lindley Hrabok

Our club had a very busy fall. The end of October we had our projects picked, weighed and ready for the 4-H year. We held elections and A.J. McCoy is President, Cole Scheidt is Vice, Dayna Hadway is Secretary, Kayla Edwards is Treasurer, Wil Hadway and Wade Goerzen are the Parliamentarians and Cassandra Hrabok is our District Rep. At the end of November we had an early Christmas celebration with Prairie Partners, playing paint ball followed by hot dogs. We appreciated all the support when we went on our bottle drive on January 6, 2006. On Sunday, January 8 we met with Prairie Partners at Rasmussen's farm for a judging event. On Friday, January 27 we will hold our club public speaking event. Once again the people in the community have been great when they are asked to judge. Saturday, January 28 we are in Olds for our District Judging.



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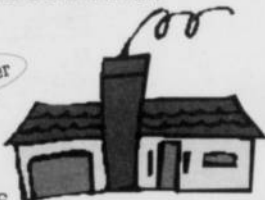
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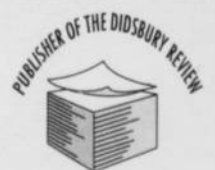
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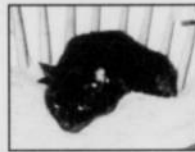
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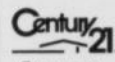
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#### Didsbury Library

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### DIDSBURY

#### Alzheimer Society

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#### Didsbury Youth Justice

Next meeting is set for February 6, 2006. All persons interested in volunteering and helping to work with the youth in our community are encouraged to come. For more info call 335-1975.

#### Turkey Supper

St. Anthony's Catholic Church Turkey Supper Sunday February 5 from 3 - 6:30 p.m. at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church. \$8.00 per plate, \$25.00 per family of four, \$30.00 per family of five or more, 5 and under free. Hope to see you there.

### DIDSBURY

#### Meeting

Annual General Meeting of Mt. View Community Hall, Wednesday Jan. 25/06 at 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome.

#### A Blitz For Blankets

We are collecting gently used blankets for the homeless / Mustard Seed. You can drop them off at Didsbury Market Place.

#### Westcott Theatre Night

"A Bench in the Sun" (Comedy) Feb. 11/06 \$15/person. Doors open - 7:00 p.m. Play starts - 8:00 p.m. Late supper - after play. Tickets call Lucy 335-4359.

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### BEAVER'S

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### KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

### O.E.S. MEETING

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### DIDSBURY SENIOR SUPPORT SERVICES

The Didsbury &amp; District Senior Support Services co-ordinates assistance for seniors. Call 335-4391.

### SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

### LEARNING DISABILITIES

Learning Disabilities of Alberta, Mtn. View Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. For info call Susan at 335-3174.

### DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

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### GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4.

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### INFORMATION

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### MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

### Sundre Toastmasters

Meetings every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in Sundre. Call Sue at 335-9477 for more information.

### Mountain View Sheep Producers

Meetings on the first Monday of each month from October to June, at 7:30 p.m. in Olds. Call Sue at 335-9477 for more information.



## Correction

The first and second place teams qualify to enter the Provincial play downs in Grand Prairie on January 27, 2006.

In the Jan. 17 issue of the Didsbury Review an article ran in the FACES section titled "Benefit concert to help with second year of eye treatments"; the phone number to contact if you would like to donate was incorrect, the correct phone number is 335-9867.

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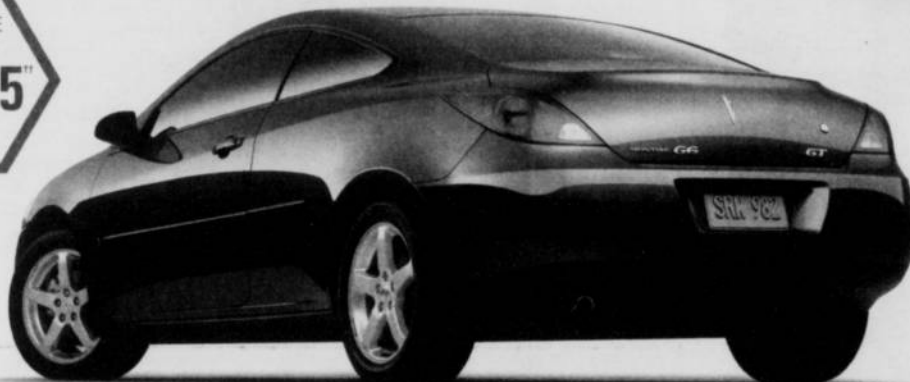
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- AM/FM Stereo with CD/MP3 and DVI/0 Player
- 17" Wheels
- Power Windows/Door Locks/Mirrors
- Remote Keyless Entry
- Deep Tint Glass
- Front Row Captain's Chairs
- 50/50 Split, Fold-Flat, Removable 3rd Row Seats
- Power Rear Quarter Vents
- Cruise Control
- Rear Air Conditioning/Heater Combination

**PURCHASE  
PRICE**  
**\$27,785**  
**FREIGHT  
INCLUDED**

SMARTLEASE  
\$345<sup>+</sup> 2.9%  
PER MONTH  
\$1,750 DOWN PAYMENT



 HWY: 8.5L/100km • 33mpg  
CITY: 12.6L/100km • 22mpg


## FEEL EMPOWERED

- RJA Model
- 115HP 3.4L V6 Engine
- 5 Speed Automatic
- Air Conditioning
- 6 Speaker CD Stereo
- 16" Aluminum Wheels
- Passlock Security System
- Multi-Box Rear Seating
- 60/40 Split Folding, Reclining and Sliding Bench
- Fold Flat Front Passenger Seat
- Multi-level Cargo Area with Removable Panels
- Fox Lamps

**PURCHASE  
PRICE**  
**17,185\*\***  
**FREIGHT  
INCLUDED**

SMARTLEASE  
\$199<sup>+</sup> at 1.5%  
PER MONTH



 HWY: 6.1L/100km • 46mpg  
CITY: 9.5L/100km • 30mpg

**FEEL ENERGIZED**  
More standard horsepower than Civic or Corolla.\*

- R7A Model
- 145HP 2.2L Ecotec Engine
- 5-Speed Getrag Transmission
- 5 Year/100,000 km Powertrain Warranty with \$0 Deductible\*
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- 15" Wheels • Available Air/Auto
- Fog Lamps • Rear 60/40 Split-folding Seats



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\$11,999

Affordable home in Mobile Home Park  
Large yard, nice position with view  
#17 1190 15 Ave Didsbury

## Turn Key Home

\$22,900

1976 Mobile with many upgrades  
Very clean Priced to sell!  
#62 1190 15 Ave Didsbury

## Great Starter

\$34,900

1981 Mobile Home  
2 beds 1 bath w upgrades  
#28 1190 15 Ave Didsbury

## Vacant Lots

\$39,900

Corner Lot  
Build with Gold Seal Homes  
75 Westpoint Drive

## Vacant Lots

\$39,900

10 Valarosa Drive, Didsbury  
#23 Valarosa Drive, Didsbury  
\$49,900

## Vacant Lot

\$43,900

Cul-de-sac lot  
pick your own builder  
108 Westridge Pl

## Vacant Lot

\$46,900

Cul-de-sac lot  
Pick your builder!  
1162 Kildeer Close

## Walk-Out Lot

\$54,900

Last walkout left in premier  
subdivision 58'x130'  
46 Westpoint Dr Didsbury

## Reduced!!

\$69,900

Three Bedroom townhouse  
Foreclosure. Sold as is.  
#4 1706 22 Ave Didsbury



## Affordable Home

\$79,900

Townhouse in Didsbury Manor  
Great starter home, revenue property  
#5 1706 22 Ave Didsbury

## Why rent?

\$85,900

1100+ sq ft townhouse under  
renovation, new paint, flooring etc  
#23 1706 22 Ave Didsbury

## Just Reduced!

\$109,900

Great starter or revenue property  
Original hardwood floors, new laminate  
1905 16 St Didsbury

## New Home

\$164,900

Brand new home not finished yet  
Ready spring/summer 2006  
6 Valarosa Dr Didsbury

## Heritage Home

\$178,500

2700 sq ft two-storey large lot Zoned  
RC. Good location- lots of potential  
1919 14 St Didsbury

## New Home

\$189,900

1225 sq ft 3 bed 2 bath deck  
New subdivision walkout bsmt  
1170 Kildeer Close Didsbury

## Energy Efficient

\$199,900

Designed for healthy living  
R40 insulation walls, 3 bed  
1166 Kildeer Close Didsbury

## Location Location

\$211,050

Brand new home in culdesac  
5 year warranty 1413 sq ft  
104 Westridge Pl Didsbury

## Country Charm

\$212,900

Charming character home  
in great condition on large lot  
1813 14 St Didsbury



## Immaculate Yard

\$219,500

Open floor plan, vault, hwd floors  
rv parking, quiet area near hospital  
1309 22 Ave Didsbury

## Valley View

\$229,900

Brand new home on large lot  
baking onto creek, open floor plan  
19 Valarosa Dr Didsbury

## Warm + Inviting

\$229,900

2004 Beautiful 1345 sq ft home  
close to schools, vaulted ceilings  
42 Meadowview Court Didsbury

## Mountain View

\$277,500

Executive home, walkout, 3 bed  
hardwood, vaulted ceilings, nice deck  
18 Westpoint Dr Didsbury

## Monster Garage

\$279,500

1564 sq ft 2 storey 3 decks  
Maple hardwood + all appliances  
31 Meadow Park Place Carstairs

## Commercial Land

\$95,000

Commercial lot Prime location  
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